

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claim 13 has been added. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully submit that new independent claim 13 patentably distinguishes over the cited art.

Applicants respectfully submit that this Amendment is supplemental to the Amendment filed August 31, 2006, which was a complete response to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2006. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that no fees are incurred by submission of this Supplemental Amendment.

In accordance with the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot, and further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the cited art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

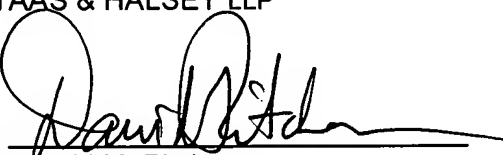
Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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